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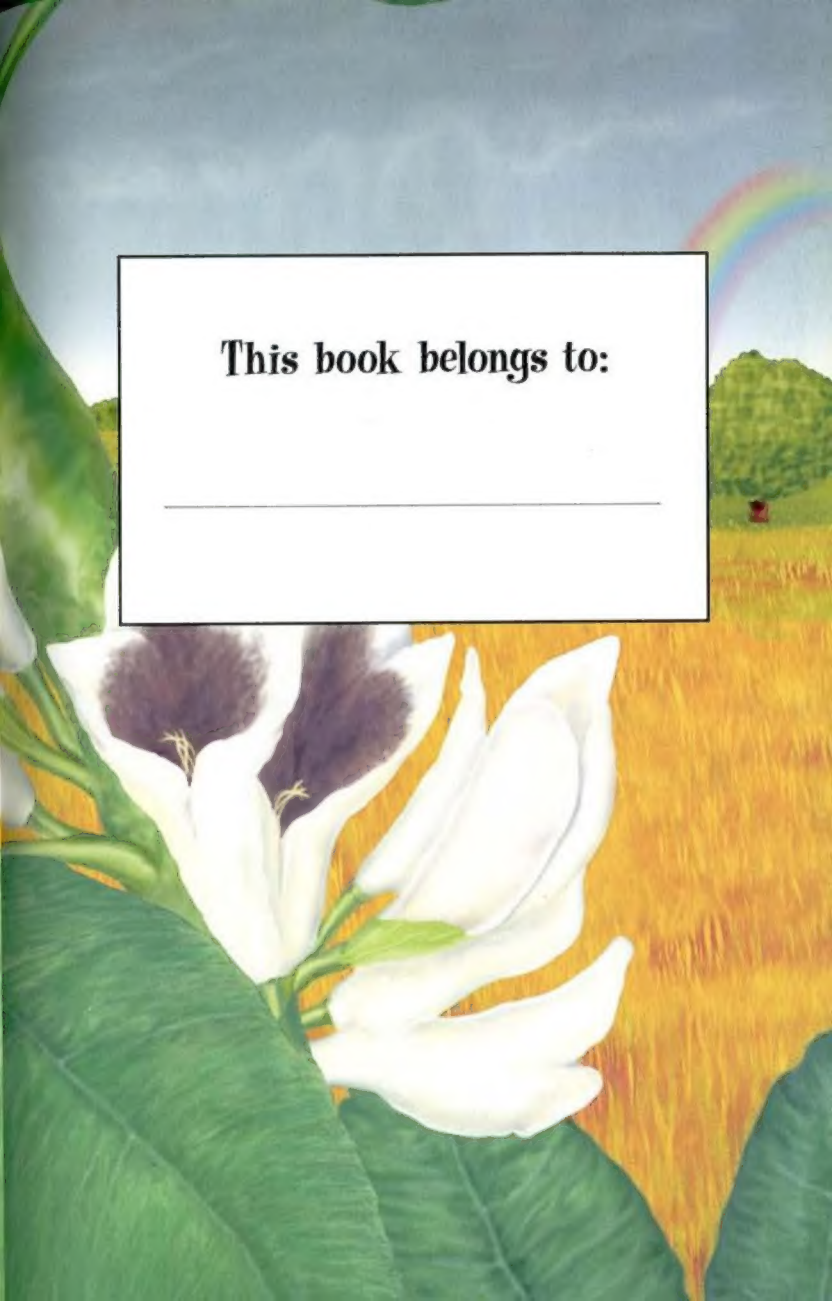
Amazing Plants

LEVEL 2



Read, discover and learn



The background of the page is a vibrant, painterly illustration. In the foreground, a large, detailed white flower with dark purple or brown centers is in bloom, surrounded by large green leaves. Behind the flower, a golden-yellow field stretches towards a green tree on the right. A bright rainbow arches across a blue sky with soft white clouds in the upper right corner.

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Amazing Plants

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Here is a little seed in
the ground.





The biggest
seed in the
world is the
Coco de mer.
It is as big as
a football.





The seed needs warmth
to help it grow.

A little root grows down
in the ground.



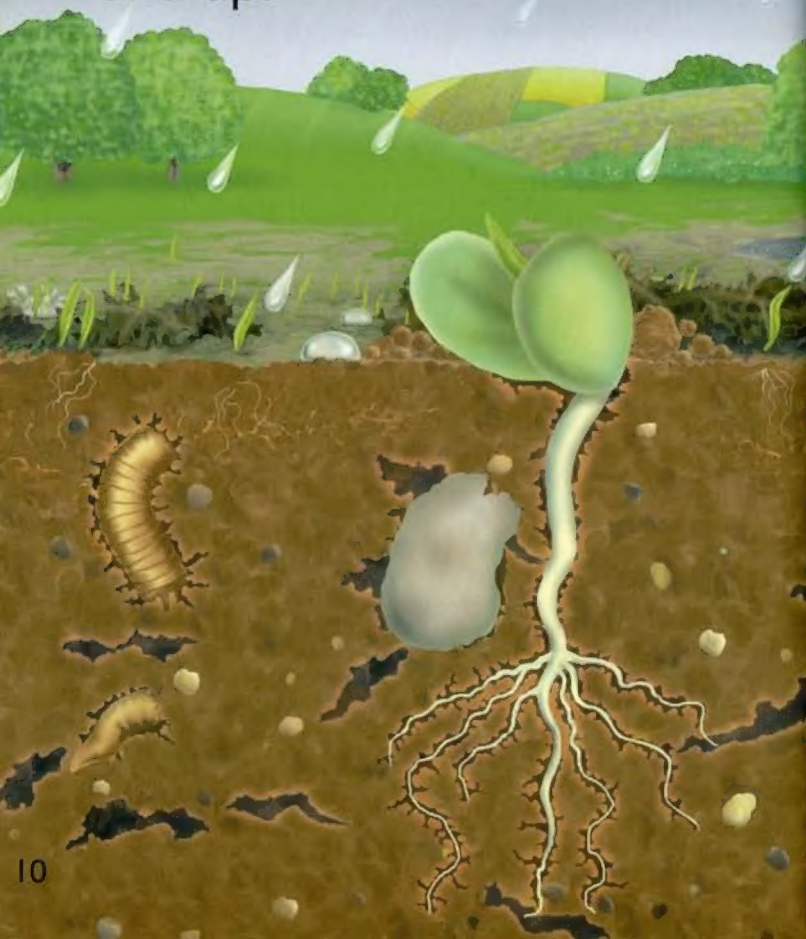


The roots of big
trees stop the trees
from falling over!



The seed needs water
to help it grow.

A little shoot grows up
and up.





Shoots always
grow up even if the
seed is planted
upside down!



Here is the little plant with
two green leaves.

The little plant grows up
and up.





The fastest
growing plant
is Bamboo.
It can grow
one metre
a day!



The plant needs sunlight
to help it grow.

The sunlight helps the leaves
to make food.





The leaves of the Giant Waterlily
are as big as a paddling pool.

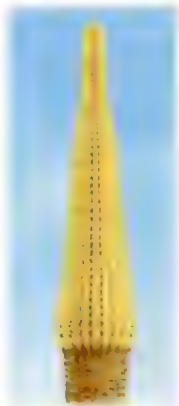


Here is the plant with little
flower buds. The plant grows
up and up and the flower
buds start to open.





The slowest flowering plant in the world is the *Puya Raimondii*. It takes up to 150 years to flower!



Here is the plant with
little white flowers.





The biggest flower in
the world is the
Rafflesia.

It is as big as
a tractor wheel.



The little white flowers
make pollen.

Plants need pollen to make
new seeds.





Pollen grains are
so small that
hundreds of them
could sit on your
little finger tip.



Here is the plant. It is
old and the flowers are
starting to die.







But fruit is starting to grow!
Seeds grow inside the fruit.



This fruit is a pod.



This seed is a bean.

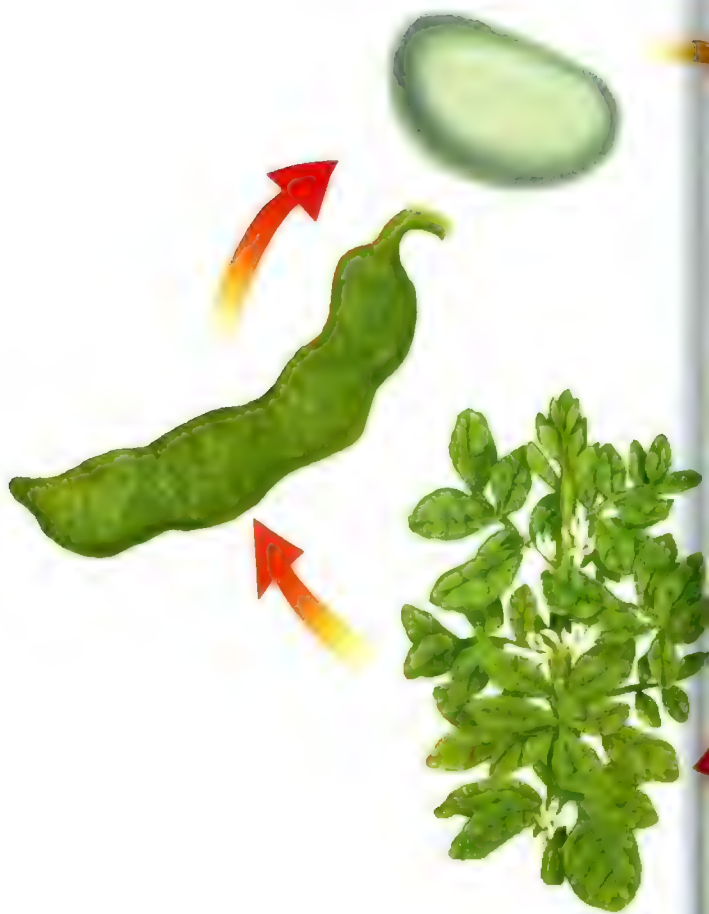
The fruit dries up and
the seeds pop out.



The smallest seeds
in the world come
from an orchid.
They are as small
as specks of dust.



A little seed is in the
ground.



Do you know what
happens next?



Glossary



bud



flower



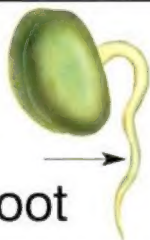
fruit



leaves



plant



root



seed



shoot

Notes for teachers and parents

Read It Yourself is a series of graded readers designed to give young children a confident and successful start to reading.

Level 2 is for children who are familiar with some simple words and can read short sentences. Each story in this level contains frequently repeated phrases which help children to read more fluently. An interesting and detailed illustration accompanies every page, which aids understanding of the text and encourages interest and enjoyment.

About this book

- The opening pages introduce a little seed in the ground. What will happen next?
- Every page starts with a repetitive phrase to help beginner readers to start the sentence confidently.
- Some beginner readers who need more of a challenge can practise reading the fact boxes.
- The last spread shows the life cycle.
Encourage beginner readers to talk about what they have learnt.
- A simple picture glossary can be found at the back of the book. We use a glossary to help us find the meaning of difficult words.

Beginner readers need plenty of help and encouragement.

Read it yourself

LEVEL 2

for beginner readers who can read short simple sentences with help

- Interesting and familiar topics
- Carefully structured captions and labels
- Simple, repetitive sentence structures
- Fascinating and supportive illustrations

simple sentences

clear font size



clear illustrations

incredible facts to discover

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